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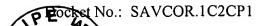
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Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application is a PTO/SB/08 Equivalent listing 14 references to be considered by the Examiner. Also enclosed are 2 non-patent references as listed on the Information Disclosure Statement. Identification herein is not an admission that any of the references are prior art to the above captioned application.

Applicants note the following:

(1) The following U.S. applications claim priority to the above-captioned application:

| Attorney Docket No. | Application    | Filing    | Title                           |
|---------------------|----------------|-----------|---------------------------------|
|                     | No.            | Date      |                                 |
| SAVCOR.1C2CP1C1     | 10/697,960     | 10/29/03  | METHOD FOR DETECTING,           |
|                     | (now issued as | (issued   | DIAGNOSING, AND TREATING        |
|                     | U.S. Pat. No.  | 11/29/05) | CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE          |
|                     | 6,970,742)     |           |                                 |
| SAVCOR.1C2CP1C2     | 11/208,416     | 08/19/05  | METHOD FOR DETECTING,           |
|                     |                |           | DIAGNOSING, AND TREATING        |
|                     |                |           | CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE          |
| SAVCOR.1C2CP1C3     | 11/289,126     | 11/29/05  | PATIENT SIGNALING METHOD FOR    |
|                     |                |           | TREATING CARDIOVASCULAR DISEASE |

(2) The following U.S. co-pending applications have at least one inventor or assignee in common with the above-captioned application:

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| SAVCOR.019A         | 11/015336   | 12/17/04 | DIGITAL ELECTRODE FOR CARDIAC     |
|                     |             |          | RHYTHM MANAGEMENT                 |
| SAVCOR.019C1        | 11/026951   | 12/30/04 | DIGITALLY CONTROLLED CARDIAC      |
|                     |             |          | RHYTHM MANAGEMENT                 |
| SAVCOR.019C2        | 11/027820   | 12/30/04 | CARDIAC RHYTHM MANAGEMENT         |
|                     |             |          | WITH INTERCHANGEABLE              |
|                     |             |          | COMPONENTS                        |
| SAVCOR.019C3        | 11/027646   | 12/30/04 | METHOD FOR DIGITAL CARDIAC        |
|                     |             |          | RHYTHM MANAGEMENT                 |
| SAVCOR.019C4        | 11/027598   | 12/30/04 | FLEXIBLE LEAD FOR DIGITAL CARDIAC |
|                     |             |          | RHYTHM MANAGEMENT                 |

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